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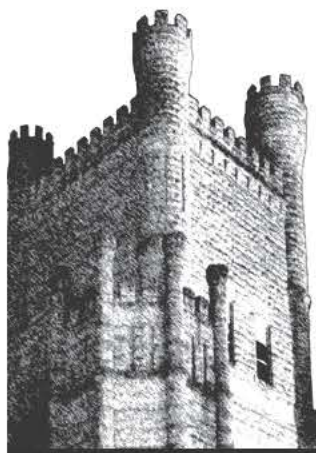
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From outside the entrance of the South Side Cafe, one can find the regular customers getting their early morning breakfast shortly after 5 a.m.

The early bird gets scrambled eggs and coffee

South Side Cafe's owner starts each day early to carry on a family tradition

By ROB SIEBERT
STAFF REPORTER

Charleston residents are usually asleep or at least winding down and on their way to bed at 2:30 in the morning, but at this hour,

Patricia Craig's day is just getting started.

The life-long Charleston resident and owner of the South Side Café on Jackson Avenue, wakes up each day at 2:30 a.m. so she can be ready to open at 5 a.m.

"I usually bake the biscuits, make the gravy," Craig said. "I get the doughnuts out, and they have to be baked and iced."

"And anything else that has to be made for the day. If we have pies that need to be made, or chili, or just whatever needs to be done."

By 2 p.m. weekdays or 1 p.m. on Saturdays, she is set to close up.

But the 54-year-old Craig is no stranger to these unique hours. She's been maintaining them since she was in high school, when she began working for her father at Snyder's Restaurant and Donut Shop.

"I did part time after school ..." Craig said. "I would come in and help them make doughnuts in the back room. And then gradually I started waiting tables, and then started cooking on the grill, and got to do everything."

Craig has been in the restaurant business ever since.

After her father's retirement, Craig and her husband became the restaurant's owners. However, change was waiting to come.

"We got divorced, and (Craig's husband) took the business," she said. "I still worked here, but it was basically his. (But) he wasn't really a businessperson, so it didn't go. So then I came back in and took it back over, and started this for myself."

For roughly 10 years, Craig has been the sole owner of the doughnut shop and

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Supervisors find skills in monthly leadership program

By Kristina Peters
Staff Reporter

February can be the start of a new learning experience for those who are or want to be leaders.

"The Leading Edge" is a one-year program that starts on Feb. 21 that will help train and better prepare 30 participants for their role as a leader.

Generally, the program is intended for faculty and staff, but anyone who is a supervisor or wants to be one can join.

"(This year), we have had a graduate student sign up," said Sandy Bowman, training coordinator for human resources.

The course consists of 12 modules, nine are required and three are electives, which are either experiment based or discussion based. There is one module per month.

"People look forward to each month and the new topics," said Julie Benedict, who is also a training coordinator for human resources.

Participants will learn about legal issues, safety issues and working with others.

"It clears up things about Eastern's system," said Adam Due, chief of the University Police Department and a 2004 graduate of the "Leading Edge."

Classes will also teach participants how to work with others as a team, a quality Benedict said is important.

"(Supervisors) should treat each person in ways they want to be treated," Benedict said.

Working as a team is a basis for many of the classes.

The Leading Edge

♦ **When:** Starts Feb. 21 and runs once a month for 12 months.

♦ **How:** To register call Sandy Bowman at 581 6402.

One class, which will visit Fox Ridge, will have sets of teams who will face non-physical challenges, Bowman said.

These programs not only teach the duties of a supervisor, but also allows Eastern staff and faculty to get to know one another.

"It gave me a chance to (work) with people I don't see everyday," Due said.

Although the classes are full in the beginning, not everyone graduates the first year.

"If they do not graduate, they can finish next year," Bowman said. "They can pick up programs they have missed."

For some, it might take two to three years before they complete the program. Five years ago, the skills and lessons that "Leading Edge" has given to participants were not around.

"(Supervisors) used to work on trial and error and that's no good," Bowman said.

She said the errors made can be costly and affect many people.

As of now, 15 people have signed up for the program, and more seats are open.

Mertz denied second hearing request

By KRISTEN LARSEN
CITY EDITOR

The Illinois Supreme Court refused to grant Anthony B. Mertz, a death row inmate, a new hearing Monday.

Mertz was convicted and sentenced to death in the killing of Shannon McNamara on June 12, 2001, in Charleston. Both were Eastern students and lived across the street from each other.

The appeal included the death sentence but not the conviction. Steven Clark, an attorney with the Illinois Appellate Defender's Office, who is handling Mertz's appeal, also argued that the prosecution attempted to link Mertz to the earlier killing of Amy Warner and the arson of an apartment building that was under construction.

The Illinois Supreme Court concluded that there is no question about the acceptance of the defendant's statements connecting to the case.

The court's original ruling in November 2005 said the case against Mertz was "overwhelming" and the

evidence in his favor was "meager by comparison."

Mertz's next step is to request a hearing in the U.S. Supreme Court, Clark said. The Supreme Court gives Mertz 90 days to file a request. If accepted, there is no set time of when the hearing would be.

According to police reports, McNamara's roommate found her shortly before 9 a.m. Evidence presented in court illustrated that Mertz broke into McNamara's apartment using a credit card, which was found in McNamara's apartment by police. He then attacked her, strangled her with a washcloth and slashed her body several times. Police also identified Mertz's blood under her fingernails.

Mertz was the first person sent to death row in Illinois after former Gov. George Ryan placed a moratorium on capital punishment and transferred all people sentenced to death up to that time.



ANTHONY B. MERTZ

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COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY NEWS

Weight-related cosmetic surgeries rise in popularity

ABBY GABRYS

THE DAILY VIDETTE (ILLINOIS STATE U.)

NORMAL – As the New Year is under way and many people may be trying to lose excess weight, some people are finding that diet and exercise alone may not be enough in order to get healthy and fit.

“More people are becoming obese because we lead more of a sedentary lifestyle,” said Cherrish Jany, head registered nurse at Midwest Comprehensive Bariatrics in Joliet. “People are not exercising as much, portions are larger and fast food is readily available.”

“If you think back 60 years ago, there was much more physical labor. People lived and worked on farms and didn’t drive everywhere,” said Carrie Calvert, health promotions coordinator of ISU Health Services.

Radical obesity surgeries are becoming increasingly popular, as obesity is a noticeable problem in the American population.

Federal guidelines state that a surgery should not be done unless someone has a body mass index of 35-40 and health problems associated with obesity, or a BMI over 40.

BMI can be a good predictor of a healthy weight, but according to Calvert, other things such as bone structure and muscle mass may cause a healthy person’s BMI to be inaccurate.

“Athletes have heavier muscle mass and some people of different cultures have different bone structures that should be taken into consideration,” Calvert said.

Students face risks of winter running

BY JACKIE ORIBELLO

THE DAILY VIDETTE (ILLINOIS STATE U.)

NORMAL – As the weather gets colder and the air becomes more frigid Illinois State University students may find themselves staying inside to avoid the dropping temperatures.

For some students, the winter is a time to hibernate and embrace indoor activities such as hitting the gym rather than running outdoors.

Many question the risks of running outside, which may include catching a common cold.

Some may believe that just being exposed to the cold will cause certain illnesses to occur.

However, this may not be the case for some students who do not let the season affect their daily routines.

Betsy McDonald, a senior family and consumer science major and member of the ISU cross country and track team, tries not to let the weather affect her training and what she loves to do.

“As a member of the team it makes it easier to get out there on those freezing cold days. When I’m on my own I’m more likely to look outside and say forget it, but having my teammates definitely helps,” he said.

WTF?

Lassie aids in farmer’s rescue

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SYDNEY, Australia – In a case of life imitating fiction, a 13-month-old cattle dog named “Lassie” helped to rescue its injured master after he fell from a horse in eastern Australia, a media report said Tuesday.
George Crowther, a 90-year-old

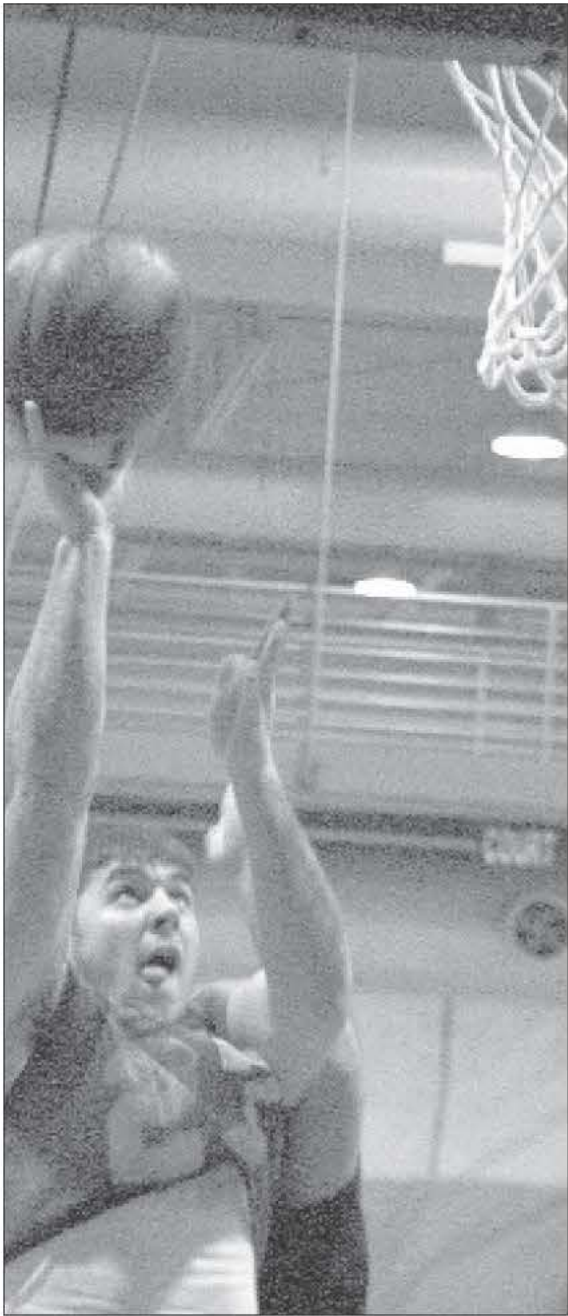
farmer from Queensland state, broke his pelvis when he was pitched from a bucking horse and his foot became caught in the reins, the Australian Broadcasting Corp. reported.

Crowther’s dog, Lassie, came to the rescue, snuggling in next to Crowther to keep him warm.

When darkness fell, Crowther’s wife came searching in the woods with a flashlight, but couldn’t hear his feeble cries.

“The dog ran to her and she said ‘Where’s George?’” Crowther told the ABC. “And she (Lassie) toddled off, leading my wife to where I was. And the rest, of course, is history.”

SHOOTING UP



CARRIE HOLLIS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Jordan Mampamella, a sophomore political science major, goes up for a shot during his intramural game on Wednesday evening in the Student Recreation Center. For more coverage of intramural sports check out <http://www.dennews.com>.

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Intramural coverage
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Eastern alumnus fired from coaching job, may end up coaching in Denver

Eastern Illinois alumnus Mike Heimerdinger was fired by head coach Eric Mangini on Wednesday.

“I have great respect for Mike Heimerdinger as a football coach,” Mangini said in a press release. “Ultimately, we agreed that the best course of action would be for the Jets to go in a different direction.”

There is a possibility that Heimerdinger could end up in Denver with head coach Mike Shanahan. The two were college roommates at Eastern during their college career.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

History presents “War Letters”

Eastern’s history department will sponsor “The Legacy Project: Writing the Wartime Experience.” Andrew Carroll will speak about The Legacy Project, which he helped found in 1998. Carroll is the author of a best-selling book titled “War Letters,” which features 200 previously unpublished letters from soldiers that span from the Civil War to Bosnia. The event will take place at 7 p.m. tonight in 2030 Lumpkin Hall and is free of charge and open to the public.

Amateur talents compete for prizes

University Board will host an open mic night tonight, which will award the top two performers. Prizes include a \$25 gift certificate to the winner and a \$10 gift certificate to 2nd place, good at the University bookstore. The event is at 8 p.m. at the 7th Street Underground, although UB coordinators recommend performers show up 15 minutes early.

RHA rallies for upcoming hall tournaments

Guest speakers will present information on upcoming bowling and poker tournaments to the Residence Hall Association at its meeting at 5 p.m. tonight.

Blake Boldt, president of McKinney Hall, said McKinney will host its first bowling tournament from 3 to 5 p.m. March 5 at Charleston Lanes.

“We are trying to coordinate the Greek community and residence halls,” Boldt said. “We’re working to promote on-campus housing.”

Each team will donate \$15 toward the Vaccine Fund for children in third-world countries.

The goal for the tournament is to raise \$1,000 and to have a total of 20 teams.

Lance Ellington, president of Thomas Hall, is working on a poker tournament to be held at 11 a.m. on Feb. 25 in the basement of Thomas Hall.

Ellington said they are asking for five players from each residence hall and from Greek Court to contribute \$5 each.

RHA President Elizabeth Gergits said RHA will also go through a “mock business” to help new members understand how the organization handles new and old business.

CORRECTIONS

In Wednesday’s issue of The Daily Eastern News, information about the sponsor and production times for “War Letters” at the Tarble Arts Center was incorrect. The Charleston Community Theatre will put on the production. Showtimes are at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday and the weekend of Feb. 3 through 5. Communication studies instructor Gail Mason was also identified under the wrong department. The DEN regrets the error.

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JENNIFER KARR,

SOPHOMORE SOCIOLOGY MAJOR AND ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK PARTICIPANT

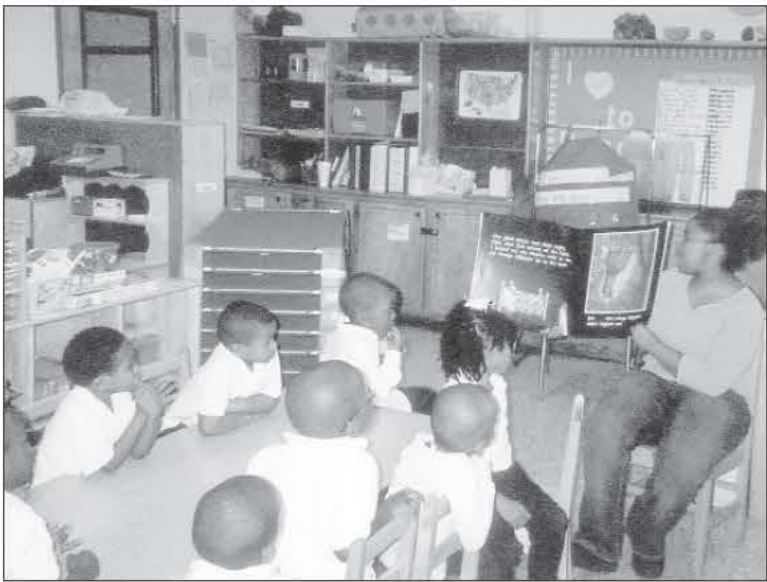


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An Alternative Spring Break student reads to children last year as part of the Head Start program with St. Francis of Assisi in Bessemer, Ala.

By CARRIE HOLLIS

ASSOCIATE PHOTO EDITOR

While spring break-goers often head south, relax and get a killer tan, a group of Eastern students will be going to help the less fortunate.

For the 13th year in a row, students have had the opportunity to participate in the Student Volunteer Center's Alternative Spring Break program. This year, the trip titled "Road Trip: Take a Different Exit," includes 18 sites throughout the United States, one in Canada, and two in Mexico.

Alternative Spring Break began at the Newman Catholic Center in 1993 with 17 students and three locations. Over the past 13 years, the numbers of locations and participants have grown tremendously, with 145 students in 1999, said Doris Nordin, student volunteer coordinator.

The center talks to students who express interest at the beginning of the semester. It also sends out brochures, puts up posters, invites other churches and talks to other registered student organizations. So far, 20 students have signed up for this year's trip.

"Many students go for their majors,"

Nordin said. "But I say that students should just go to see what is around you, to see those in need around you."

The destinations and projects will range from providing services for people with disabilities in Canada to developing and strengthening families in reservation communities in South Dakota to working with Habitat for Humanity in California.

The trips that fill up the fastest and need the most people are the two trips to Mexico. One group works near the border with immigrants, while the other works with homeless children on the other side of Mexico.

According to Nordin, students seem to enjoy the trips that involve working with children the most. But this year, by request, The Windsor House in Huntsville, Ala., was added.

The Windsor House is a place to spend time with elderly people helping them with basic daily housework.

During Thanksgiving break, a group of students went with the center to New Orleans to help with Project Lazarus, a home for men and women who cannot live on their own because of complications from HIV or AIDS. This spring break, a new group of stu-

dents will go to Project Lazarus to offer their services.

Eastern's campus has one of the largest Alternative Spring Break groups, which is because of all the promoting the Newman Catholic Center does, Nordin said. Many students hear about the retreats through word of mouth, so a good number of them tend to be upperclassmen or graduate students.

Also, many of the participants have gone on similar trips before, such as Jennifer Karr, a sophomore sociology major.

Karr participated in Alternative Spring Break last year for the first time on a trip to Big Oaks Girls' Ranch in Alabama. The ranch takes in children, usually ranging from 6 to 18 years old, who have been abused, neglected or orphaned.

There are 12 houses there, with anywhere from eight to 12 girls in each home. They also have a transition home for college girls.

Along with six other girls, Karr said she spent the week doing small construction projects such as painting and landscaping. She also spent time hanging out and having dinner with a different family each night. They had the chance to mentor some of the girls.

Students take a different kind of spring break

Volunteers serve around North America



PHOTO SUBMITTED BY DORIS NORDIN

Participants of the Catholic Worker in New York last spring spent the week working with the homeless and learned about the Catholic Worker movement.

"It's a good opportunity to see it from their point of view," Karr said. "They have gone through some terrible things, yet they have regained hope and trust in people."

Karr found out about Alternative Spring Break from a poster last year and stopped by the center for more information. She said she was so moved by the experience that she changed her major from elementary education to sociology. She said she still wants to work with children, mainly those who are struggling.

"I encourage everyone to try it at least once," Karr said. "It really opens your eyes to those who are suffering."

This weeklong event begins March 11. The cost for the United States and Canada trips is \$150.00 and the trips to Mexico are \$450.00. The fees cover transportation, accommodations, most meals and a T-shirt.

Interested students can contact Doris Nordin at the Newman Catholic Center or pick up a brochure and application at the Student Life Office.

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WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PETA I USED TO KNOW?

Leave Colonel Sanders alone!

I have a love/hate relationship with Kentucky. I love the fact that I don't live there and I hate the fact that they can lay claim to the legendary Colonel as a symbol.

It'd have been better if his home state of Indiana had retained him as a symbol. Of course, Indiana Fried Chicken doesn't sound as tasty as Kentucky Fried Chicken.

Pamela Anderson, she of the impeccable moral standards, tried to put the Colonel out of commission permanently.

The charge? Sanders is a symbol of cruelty to chickens. Or in Anderson's words, Sanders' legacy is a company that "mutilates God's creatures."

While I don't mean to start a religious debate, it seems that if one believes in God, as Ms. Anderson clearly does, wouldn't it be right to say that Ms. Anderson is one of God's creatures? How many times has she gone under the knife and

allowed a doctor to "mutilate God's creature"?

But Anderson is not the point here. The point is the group behind Anderson's efforts.

It is no surprise to hear that the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals group

"PETA is an example of a group pretending to be out for a good cause, but in reality trying to stir the pot and get some attention."

is assisting Anderson in this venture. PETA is an example of a group pretending to be out for a good cause but in reality trying to stir the pot and get some attention.

It started off nobly. In 1981, its undercover investigation led to the first-ever conviction of an animal experimenter on charges of animal abuse.

Two years later it stopped the United States Department of Defense from shooting missiles into dogs and goats.

What purpose that would have served is not clear but it was a noble effort from PETA to stop it as there couldn't have been any positives to it. But lately, the group has become the butt of all jokes.

Case in point: Why did the chicken cross the road? PETA. It works.

It has become the butt of these jokes because of its campaigns. It doesn't hold back and because of this it alienates enough people to where it becomes the joke, and its cause is no longer taken seriously.

"Holocaust on Your Plate" is a personal favorite. "The leather sofa and handbag are the moral equivalent of the lampshades made from the skins of people killed in death camps."

That was a direct quote from PETA's campaign. How is this a moral equivalent? Animals are great. My family has had cats, dogs, rabbits; you name the animal and my family has probably had it. But to try and argue that some animals are not resources and using those resources is the equivalent of a dictator shoving humans into ovens is ludicrous.

PETA then tries to get to people early on. This way it can help children learn its beliefs and spread them on the playground.

The campaign's name?

"Your Mommy Kills Animals."

For some reason, it doesn't seem like an effective plan. At least the Kentucky courts understood this. They ruled against Anderson.

EDITORIAL CARTOON BY DAVID THILL



EDITORIAL

PAWS system still needs work

The University Information Technology Services maintains The Panther Access to Web Services, or PAWS system, that enables students to access their schedules, grades and student accounts and register for classes.

The maximum user capacity for PAWS is 125, according to an article in the Jan. 19 edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, because the system's mainframe cannot handle more.

This creates problems for students at a semester's beginning and end, when the need to access PAWS increases.

For example, a site traffic jam prevents a student from registering for classes in time, or students can't access their schedules the weekend before classes.

Students can help alleviate site traffic themselves by using the PAWS express schedule link. This link lets students view their schedules without accessing the mainframe.

"(Some) students choose the first option (on the Web site) and don't check other options," said Brian Murphy of ITS in *The DEN* article.

No student is going to independently check for other options. Why should they if the alternatives have not been advertised in the first place?

There's a second complication. The people who fix problems with PAWS are not hearing about them.

At issue

Eastern's PAWS system maximum user number, which is currently 125.

Our stance

Students aren't informed enough about the PAWS system. While allowing only 125 may have worked, it's still a very small percentage of Eastern's population. The sooner the university expands the PAWS system, the better it will be for Eastern's students.

"Rarely do we have issues where people are unable to log in and do tasks," said Greg Deyoung, the assistant director for campus infrastructure.

He explained that looking at all the factors involved in a system better explains why the current max capacity size isn't a huge issue. Such factors include: Who is using the server, and how frequently it is used.

For example, Deyoung said PAWS has worked well for the university previously because it is not unusual for more than 125 students to use the system at the same time except during the beginning and end of semesters.

For students who do experience problems with accessing PAWS, there is hope. ITS will be upgrading the PAWS system with the Banner System by Sunguard throughout this year and until 2008.

Banner's maximum capacity load will be much larger because it will not only provide services that PAWS offers now, but also other services like payroll and time keeping.

Until then, if students have problems accessing PAWS they should call ITS and let them know. Even if ITS can not fix students' immediate problems, the Banner system offers hope of an eventual fix—even if some students will graduate before its complete installation.

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Counselor warns empty room about identity theft

By Ashley Wagner
STAFF REPORTER

An unsuccessful attempt to caution students about the dangers of Web sites like Facebook and MySpace forced counselor Mike Tozer to relay facts about identity theft to a nearly empty room last night at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The “B4TKI—How to Protect Yourself in Cyberspace” presentation aimed to give students insight about keeping safe on popular online sites, which have become a new hobby for many.

Tozer expected a good audience and planned to make his presentation somewhat interactive. All he got was one reporter and one photographer from *The Daily Eastern News*.

Jonathan Powley, a junior sociology major who was not present at the event, suggested that a reason for the absent audience could be that students are simply not worried about identity theft.

“I have my address and pictures posted all over the Internet,” Powley said. “It is something that is not really an issue for me.”

Tozer gave statistics, facts and precautions about identity theft.

“Twenty-seven million Americans have been victims of identity theft in the past five years,” Tozer said.

With so many people getting robbed of their identity each year, it is important to know how their information is taken, Tozer said.

“Shoulder surfing is looking over your shoulders and memorizing as best they can the numbers or pin numbers of your credit card,” he said.

It is also important to know how to prevent identity theft and what to do if it should happen.



MATTHEW MAPLES/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Mike Tozer, an Eastern counselor, talks about the threat of identity theft in the Charleston-Mattoon Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Wednesday night.

“When registering online, be sure to read and understand the agreements,” Tozer said.

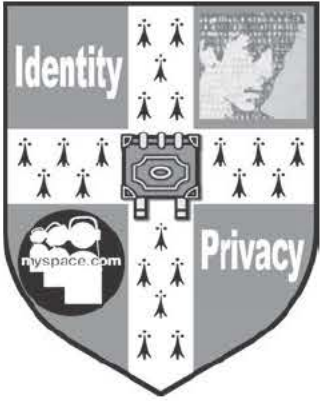
Many people simply click “I agree” without reading documents, not knowing that the Web sites cannot be held responsible for theft of any kind.

“All that is really needed is just a nickname or a password,” Tozer said. “Don’t give out e-mail addresses.”

Tozer concluded the presentation by giving advice.

“Minimize the information you put on the Internet. Once you put yourself out there, it is fair game,” he said.

“(The seminar) probably wouldn’t have told me anything I didn’t already know,” Prowley said.



Teachers teach teachers

Faculty workshop to focus on study of learning, scholarship

By Deirdre Sheahan
STAFF REPORTER

The dean of Eastern’s Honors College will showcase ideas for faculty to research their craft in a presentation today.

The lecture is intended for faculty members who are interested in researching teaching, or who are looking for new ideas for projects.

Bonnie Irwin, dean of the Honors College, will present the lecture titled “Scholarship of Teaching and Learning.”

“This is a great way in collecting studies in our own teaching,” Irwin said.

She has attended many workshops in this area before and said she thinks today’s workshop will be helpful to share with her faculty what she has learned.

Irwin said in addition to the research the faculty will accomplish, they will also have the opportunity to publish their research.

Mildred Pearson, director of Faculty Development, said the presentation will discuss teaching as scholarly work.

“The scholarship of teaching and learning is systematic and thoughtful investigation of student learning purposes of improving practice and student success,” Pearson said.

She said faculty will learn how to foster significant, long-lasting learning for all students, as well as enhancing the profession of teaching.

Scholarship Teaching and Learning Lecture

◆ **WHO:** Bonnie Irwin, dean of the Honors College

◆ **WHEN:** noon

◆ **WHERE:** Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, Charleston Mattoon Room

ing. Pearson also said that Eastern is not the first university to have a presentation on this topic.

“Dean Irwin has attended many conferences on the topic, which prepares her to serve our EIU learning community,” Pearson said.

Jeffery Ashley, a professor in the political science department, said having

opportunities for these presentations is good and can help make the faculty stronger.

“The ability to self-assess and to rethink the way we approach our craft is always healthy,” Ashley said.

Ashley also said that since the focus is on various ways of teaching, students will benefit automatically from what the teachers have learned through this process.

Pearson said faculty, staff and graduate assistants are welcome to attend. The presentation is scheduled at noon in the Charleston-Mattoon Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.



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Tarble session provides feedback for the Illinois Arts Council

By SARA DEMULINO
STAFF REPORTER

The Strategic Force Chairman for Illinois Arts Council listened and asked questions as members and representatives of Illinois art communities participated in an open forum session Thursday night.

One of the main reasons for these information gathering sessions is the avid interest the Illinois Arts Council has in the challenges art communities are facing in Illinois, said one of the panelists. The organization said they want to face these issues and find ways to improve conditions and ease concerns.

"We need the help of the public to ensure the Illinois Arts Council addresses their needs and aspirations," said Huper Montgomery, the

Strategic Force chairman for Illinois Arts Council.

Held in the Tarble Arts Center Thursday, the forum attracted nearly 20 participants who had five minutes each to express their views on issues in their communities and possible answers to future concerns.

Representing The Little Theater on the Square located in Sullivan, Leonard Anderson summed up the main point of the representatives as a whole by saying, "Keep up the good work and give us more money."

Joy Pante represented both the Coles County Art Center and the Embury Arts Center, neither of which have a central meeting location.

She said these groups have a desperate need for a "house" and also said there are several

organizations with problems in the surrounding areas.

"(We) operate out of the Tarble Arts Center and currently needed supplies daily from our homes," Pante said.

She also had several other ideas ranging from an emergency art fund to extending art to the developmentally disabled in Coles County.

Robin and Michael Jourdain stood for The Phoenix Theatre in Moultrie.

The theatre offers a wide artistic variety spanning from plays to music lessons and vocal lessons.

"We were asked to speak because we represent one of the rural communities and have been involved in all aspects of theater for quite some time," said Robin Jourdain.

Michael Jourdain noted that the Illinois Arts

Council is involved in all fine arts from music to dance to fine art.

Anderson spoke about the successes his theatre has had in the past and praised the accomplishments of the Illinois Arts Council.

He has worked in all facets of the theater for the past 16 years and now holds the position of executive director.

He works on bringing artists together and spending The Little Theater's audience throughout Illinois, Indiana and Missouri.

"It's important to make our theatre's voice heard in the fine arts area and promote heavily and live theater for all," said Laurie Harbough, Anderson's co-worker.

For more information about any art community or for the Illinois Arts Center, contact strategic@arts.state.il.us or call 312-614-6750.

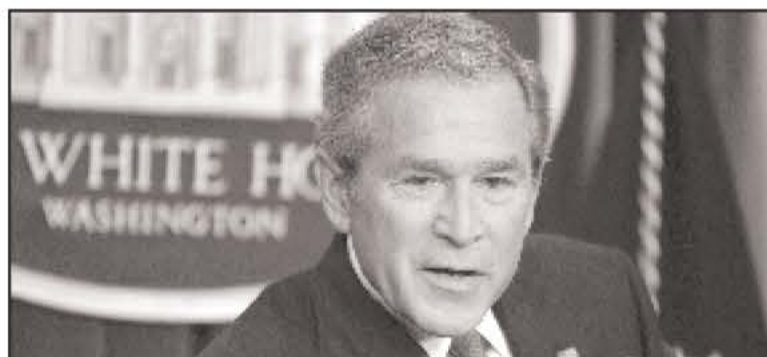
Bush reacts to Hamas win

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON—After making democracy a defining marker for American foreign policy, President Bush got a jolting message from Palestinian voters: Be careful what you wish for.

The United States promoted the democratic Palestinian election that now has produced an upset victory for the militant Islamic group Hamas.

The election could install an organization the United States considers terrorist in place of a Palestinian leadership that, while weak, was pledged to work with Israel and with Washington.



CHUCK KENNEDY/AP

President Bush answers questions, Thursday, January 26, 2006, during a news conference in the Brady Press Room at the White House in Washington, D.C.

between Bush's decision rhetoric about spending liberty even in unlikely places and the reality that self-determination can yield results that appear

counter to U.S. interests. That's a challenge the United States may have to confront overseas in other places as well, including Iraq and Egypt.

NATIONAL BRIEFS



Orders for big-ticket factory goods post solid gain

WASHINGTON—Orders to American factories for big-ticket goods posted a solid gain in December, propelled by strong demand for autos and machinery as manufacturers closed out a second year.

The Commerce Department reported Thursday that orders for durable goods rose by 1.3 percent in December, the third straight monthly increase, to a monthly record of \$226.1 billion.

6.2 percent to an all-time high of \$2.51 trillion. Orders for durable goods had risen by 10 percent in 2004 and 4.2 percent in 2005 after declines in 2002 and 2001, when the country was in recession.

Bush plans to start nuclear waste reprocessing

WASHINGTON—The Bush administration is making plans to revive nuclear fuel reprocessing, including a long-term proposal to provide reactor fuel to foreign countries if they return it to the United States to be recycled.

President Bush will include a request for \$250 million in his budget to be released next week as a first step toward reversing a decades-long U.S. policy against nuclear reprocessing, congressional and administration officials said Thursday.

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Bush says U.S. should take bin Laden's threat seriously

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT MEADE, Md. — President Bush, defending the government's secret surveillance program, said Wednesday that Americans should take Osama bin Laden seriously when he says he's going to attack again.

It was Bush's first comment about bin Laden since the al-Qaida leader warned in a tape aired last week that his fighters are preparing new attacks in the United States. Bin Laden offered a truce, without specifying the conditions, and the White House responded that the United States would never negotiate with the mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks.

Mine explosion survivor wakes up

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — The sole survivor of a mine explosion that killed 12 fellow miners emerged from a light coma Wednesday but still cannot speak, his doctor said.

Randal McCloy Jr., who had been in a coma since his Jan. 4 rescue, is able to respond to simple commands and follow movements with his eyes, said Dr. Larry Roberts at Ruby Memorial Hospital. He also is able to chew and swallow soft foods.

Gulf Coast grants not sufficient funds state officials say

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Multibillion-dollar grants the Bush administration distributed Wednesday to hurricane-ravaged states left Louisiana far short of the federal aid it wants and divided Gulf Coast lawmakers who have been working together to win more assistance.

The details of how the previously announced \$11.5 billion would be distributed to five states followed word that the administration was rejecting a \$30 billion redevelopment plan for Louisiana that state officials considered the cornerstone of their hopes for rebuilding.

"My dad used to tell me, 'Cheer up, things could be worse,'" said Rep. Richard Baker (R-La.) the architect of the \$30 billion plan to jump-start his state. "So I cheered up and things got worse."

By rejecting his plan, Baker said the White House "is basically saying to Louisiana, 'If you want to rebuild, you have to find resources of your own.'"

Sen. Mary Landrieu (D-La.) said officials were told Baker's plan was "too expensive."

The White House rejection "demonstrates a continued lack of understanding for the mag-



MONA REEDER/DALLAS MORNING NEWS/KRT NEWS

Joe Cumbest, shown January 3, 2006, lives in the recently established "tent city" in Pass Christian, Miss. In Pass Christian, this compact tent city called "The Village," has become transitional house for those who are still unraveling the red tape that comes with insurance claims and FEMA applications after Hurricane Katrina.

nitude of the devastation and the immense rebuilding task our state faces," Landrieu said.

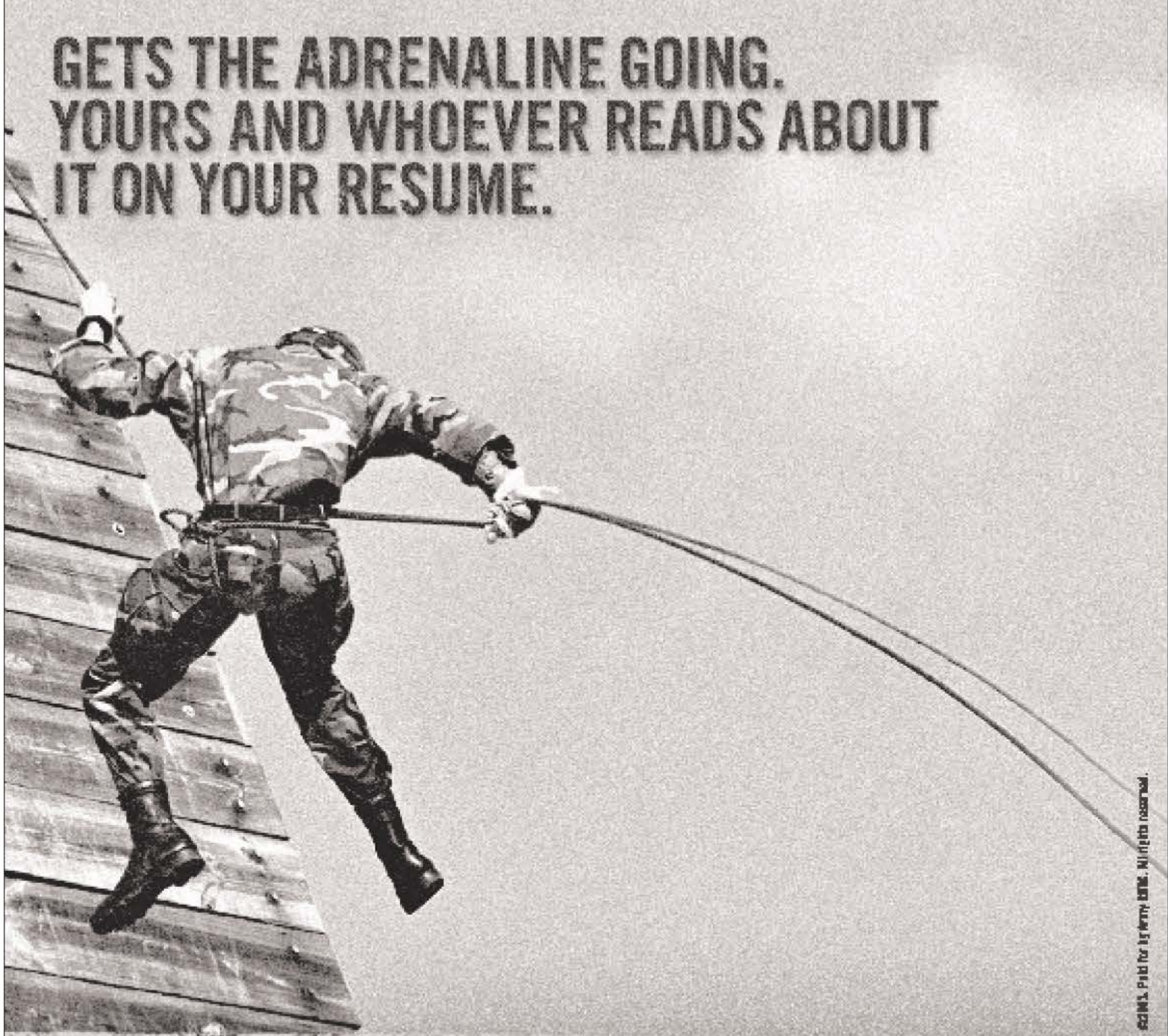
Asked about Louisiana's concerns that the grants would not help tens of thousands of people, mostly in low-income and working class neighborhoods around New Orleans, federal Gulf Coast redevelopment officer Donald Powell said states can use the money to satisfy their most urgent hurricane relief

priorities.

Once the grants are depleted, Powell said, "We are very open to going back and asking for more money."

The bulk of the \$11.5 billion — \$6.2 billion — would go to Louisiana. That falls short of what Louisiana officials said was necessary to help an estimated 200,000 homeowners return and rebuild their communities.


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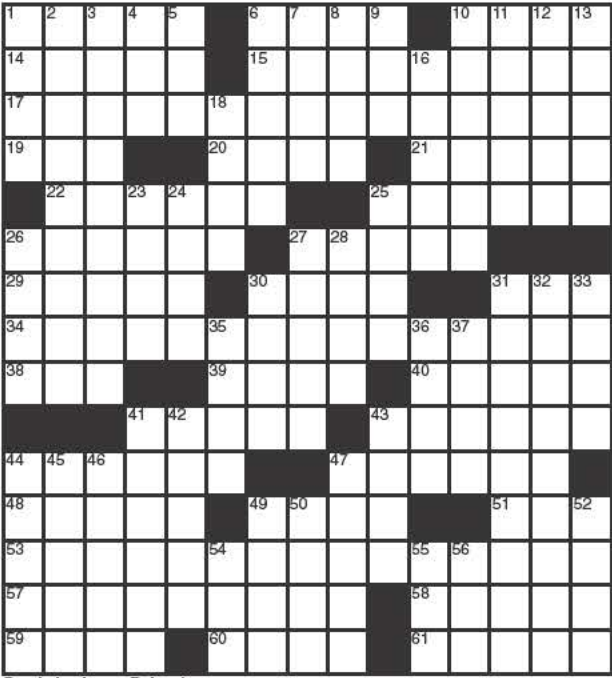
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changed the name to South Side Café. While Snyder's Donut Shop held a few different locations in Charleston since it opened in the '60s, the South Side Café has remained faithful to its spot on Jackson Avenue.

"It's just comfortable. It's just a nice, relaxing place to go," said Kim Dalziel, who has been an on-and-off customer since 1987. "Good food, decent price, nice people."

As for the hours, Craig is simply carrying on the family tradition.

"Basically those are the hours we've almost always been open," she said. "At 5 a.m. there are several people that come in. And by 2, I'm ready to go home."

At one point, Craig did try to alter the hours so that she could be open during the evening, but the results weren't worth it.

"I think it's just because everybody was used to the hours that we had," she said.

And with the hours that it has, the South Side Café tends to cater to "retired farmers or retired



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Above: Patricia Craig, the owner and operator takes a customer's order at her restaurant early Wednesday morning.

Right: Charleston resident Tom Baker spreads jelly on his toast. Baker said he has been coming to the cafe every morning during the week for the past five years.

people that come in at 5 o'clock," Craig said. "They want their coffee, their paper and breakfast, or just to come eat with their friends."

One such individual is James Isbell, a retired Charleston postmaster, who Craig's family has been serving for roughly 30 years.

"I used to go to work at 6 (a.m.), and I was here every morning..." Isbell said. "And then

after I retired, I just continued getting up early."

Although the café does cater to the occasional group of drunken students, Twila Bridges, who is currently in her seventh year of waitressing at the café, said that as far as Eastern students are concerned, "99 percent of them are great."

Just as Craig worked for her father at a young age, her daughter, 22-year-old Jamie Moffett,

currently works at the café and has been doing so since childhood.

"I used to work here on the weekends when I was 12, helping do dishes and stuff," Moffett said.

However, Moffett is still unsure of whether she'll follow in her mother's footsteps.

"I'm thinking about it, keeping it in mind," she said.

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Sophomore sprinter/hurdler Shannon McDougall prepares for her meet this weekend at the University of Wisconsin.

Non-scoring event gives Eastern preparation time

By KATIE ANDERSON
STAFF REPORTER

The Panthers will run against themselves Saturday at the Wisconsin Elite Invitational. Themselves and three other teams.

The Wisconsin Elite is a non-scoring meet. This means that participants will not be earning points towards a team score based on their performances like in the recent EIU Mega Meet.

Eastern will not try to win, because they can't. In a "non-scoring" meet, there are no first, second, or third place teams.

"We do this primarily because it's early in the season," said Badgers' women's head coach Jim Stintzi.

He pointed out that if the meet is ran as a non-scoring meet, teams can run red-shirt athletes without losing their status. This helps coaches decide whether to run injured athletes for the season.

Eastern men's head coach Tom Akers said in this kind of

meet "we are looking for individual performances, that way you can run kids in events you want them to get performances in without worrying about team scores."

Sophomore hurdler Shannon McDougall disagrees.

"It doesn't change anything," she said.

Angela Stoczynski, a freshman thrower, will try to make at least 40 feet in shot-put and beat her personal record in weight throw which she set last weekend at the Mega Meet at 40 feet, eight inches.

Stoczynski will have to add at least two feet in the shot put to place in the top 5, as the other throwers are averaging around 42 feet.

Samantha Manto, a freshman hurdler and sprinter, will work on her form and try to knock a few seconds off of her events, the 60-meter hurdles, 200-meter dash, and 4x400.

Her previous times at the Early Bird and EIU Mega Meets, however, would not leave her among the top

women finishers, just like Stoczynski.

"If you worry about what the other team is going to do you lose focus on what you need to do," Akers said.

Some athletes on all of the teams will be running their secondary events since no scoring is done.

Some athletes will be "running down." This means running events lower in distance than their primary events in order to work on speed.

Freshman Violet Nwordu will be doing just that. She is entered in the 60- and 200-meter dashes rather than her usual 400.

"The unique aspect of track and field is that it's always a battle against yourself, and the stop watch, tape measure or something of that nature," said head women's coach Mary Wallace.

And that's what the women will be doing on Saturday. With competition like Illinois State, Illinois-Chicago, and Big 10 school Wisconsin, the Panthers will be pushed by their opponents and in some

cases only the stop watch, as a first place position may be realistically out of reach.

"We do what we need to do now in order to have what we need to have in February," Akers said. "February is when the Conference Championships are held."

Stoczynski said she enjoys competing against bigger schools.

"It's an eye opener," she said. "It lets me know what I can accomplish."

"I think it's good so everyone can work on their personal goals," Manto said.

The coaching staff hopes that when the athletes are put into a setting where they have high competition it will bring out good performances and inspire them.

"It's not about who's in the lane next to you, or who just threw right before you, it's about what you're going to do when you step on the track, in the ring or on the runway," Wallace said. "I think as long as they maintain that focus they'll be fine."

REBOUNDING:

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Panthers rebounding has to improve

The Panthers are last in the Ohio Valley Conference in offensive and defensive rebounding and stand at minus 11.2 in rebounding margin per game.

It may be true that Eastern doesn't have much size with its tallest players being 6-foot-2 (Rachel Galligan and Julie Lipperd), but then again neither did the 6-4 Charles Barkley (11.7 rebounds per game).

Chicago Bulls coach Scott Skiles

took it one step further last year when a Chicago reporter asked him a better way for now-New York Knicks center Eddy Curry to rebound.

Skiles looked at the reporter and in his typical deadpan fashion said: "jump."

The reporters cracked up around Skiles, but the sad part about what he said remains true.

There is an abundance of players who wait for the ball to come to them rather than going up and getting it.

Points may be the most important part of a basketball game, but rebounding is a close second.

It's why in 1995 the Bulls went out and traded for Rodman after the year before they had Toni Kukoc and Larry Krystkowiak at the power forward position. Neither could rebound well, and the Bulls were eliminated by an

Orlando team that boasted Shaquille O'Neal and Horace Grant.

After acquiring Rodman, the Bulls went on to a second threepeat. A coincidence? Not likely.

I'm not about to say rebounding is all about will and determination and all that rah-rah stuff, because it's not.

I'm also not saying size doesn't help, because if it didn't, Earl Boykins would be a great rebounder.

Next time you go to a high school, college or NBA game, look at the players on the court as the ball goes up in the air.

Only then will you tell who's a true rebounder.

Marc Correnti is a junior journalism major. If you think he could rebound from this column, tell him so at EIU3583@yahoo.com



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Junior Brittany Wininger goes through kicking drills during practice on Monday evening in Lantz Natatorium. Eastern takes on IUPUI this Saturday.

TEST:

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Freshman diver Elizabeth Scott set two school records.

Senior Lindsay Anderson finished second in the 1000 freestyle while beating her won school record.

She also took third in

the 500-meter freestyle with the fifth fastest time in IUPUI history.

This will be the first time this year that the Panthers' divers will have competition.

The last two meets versus Millikin and Valparaiso did not feature diving.

Laird talked about getting back into competition:

"I like the competition a lot," he said. "I know that I have to actually perform, so it's a lot better to dive against somebody than to dive against yourself."

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EDWARDS:

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‘Midge’ is at center of Eastern’s press the offense.”

Edwards admits to the training camp practices being nerve-wracking, where she feels she was lacking in confidence.

“I didn’t have a lot of confidence during the early practices,” Edwards said. “I realized I wasn’t in high school anymore.”

With Sallee’s intense, no-nonsense personality, Edwards could have crawled into a hole and been forgotten this season. She chose a different path.

“That’s the thing I love about Megan,” Sallee said. “Whatever I say to her, she never takes it personal. She listens to and learns from what I say more than anything. She’s been a joy

from that standpoint.”

Perhaps the most complicated facet of Sallee-coached teams is the defense he requires his players to play, especially the point guard.

In Sallee’s pressing defense, the point guard is at the center of the press and is relied on to force the turnovers and create steals in the open court.

Although Edwards has been a big part of the Panthers’ defense and is third in the Ohio Valley Conference in steals (2.16 per game), she knows that her defense remains one of her weaknesses.

Sallee took it one step further, adjusting Edwards’ childhood nickname.

“Everybody calls her Midge, but we changed it to Mige,” Sallee said. “We had to take the ‘D’ out because she wasn’t guarding anyone.”

Although Sallee has said she regained her original nickname for the moment, Edwards knows that it could change as soon as someone beats her off the dribble.

Megan Edwards’ vitals

- ◆ 70 assists (leads team)
- ◆ 53.59 FT (.898 percentage)
- ◆ 41 steals (Leads OVC)
- ◆ 12.1 ppg (2nd on team)

“I’m sure he’ll go back to calling me Mige,” Edwards said.

During her high school career in Des Plaines, Edwards played point guard all four years, but admitted struggles in learning the role at the college level.

Her stats echo her struggles as she has committed 84 turnovers, while compiling 70 assists, a staggering 0.83 assist-to-turnover ratio.

Sallee says his point guards are not meant to play in the John Stockton-form of pass first, shoot second.

“I like my point guards to be a little more creative with the ball,” Sallee said. “I’m not a big fan of telling a point guard to pass only. I’d prefer

they shoot more.”

With turnovers being a problem, Sallee is toying with the idea of moving Edwards to the shooting guard position next year when senior stand-out Megan Sparks graduates.

“That’s definitely an option I’ve looked at,” Sallee said. “It all depends if we can sign a few guards or someone on the roster can step up. Then it would be more of a reality.”

After a recent victory against Tennessee-Martin, Sparks agreed with Sallee.

“She’s got two-guard capabilities, but I think she likes to play the point,” Sparks said.

Edwards joins five other freshmen on a Panther team that stands fourth in the OVC.

Her closest relationship is with Galligan, who is also her roommate.

“We all have a special bond together,” Galligan said of the six freshmen. “We always know what each other is

doing. I’ve never seen a group with as much as chemistry as this one.”

Even though Sallee claims there is a more serious side to Edwards, Galligan begs to differ as she sees Edwards as more sarcastic.

“She’s one of the funniest people I’ve ever met,” Galligan said. “She’s always there for a good laugh. She’s a great friend.”

Edwards compliments Galligan for helping her make the transition from high school basketball star to a vital role on an improving team.

“With her dominating in the paint, it makes it that much easier for us to get into our offense,” Edwards said.

Going back to her “timid, shy freshman” ways Edwards is not ready to anoint herself the leader just yet, although her teammates and Sallee tend to think differently.

“If she’s not a leader yet, she will be,” Sallee said. “She’s been a coach’s dream.”

Long-awaited trade between Indiana, Sacramento approved

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ron Artest is no longer the Indiana Pacers’ problem.

The volatile forward was traded Wednesday to the Sacramento Kings for former all-star Peja Stojakovic, more than a month after demanding a trade and one day after the deal seemingly fell apart.

The deal ends a turmoil-filled career for Artest in Indiana, and eliminates the biggest distraction the Pacers faced this season.

“We’re gamblers,” Kings co-owner Gavin Maloof said before Sacramento played the Knicks in New York on Wednesday night. “So we’re going to take a chance on him.”

Artest first requested a trade in December, after it was rumored that he would be dealt to the Kings for Stojakovic. The Pacers deactivated Artest after his trade demand.

“This was the trade that more or less led to Ronnie saying he wanted to be traded,” Pacers CEO Donnie Walsh said at a news conference. “He heard it on the air and that was not true. And we really didn’t think there was any hope to do the deal back then.”

And when it appeared Artest would, indeed, be heading to the Kings on Tuesday, he reportedly balked at playing in Sacramento.

“We don’t know that,” Walsh said. “We just know that something happened. It got called off. And we talked to Sacramento again this morn-

ing and realized there could be a deal.”

Artest changed his mind after meeting with Walsh at Conseco Fieldhouse on earlier Wednesday.

Indiana spent several weeks searching for the right deal, nearly sending Artest to the Los Angeles Clippers for Corey Maggette before reviving talks with the Kings in recent days.

This trade has actually been rumored for three years, with the Kings thought to have needed Artest’s defense as much as the Pacers needed Stojakovic’s offense.

Stojakovic could be the outside shooter Indiana has needed since Reggie Miller retired after last season.

“Obviously, we’re very happy about getting a player of (Stojakovic’s) caliber,” Pacers president Larry Bird said in a statement. “He’s one of the best shooters in the league and we definitely feel he can help us right away.”

But it also rids the Pacers of a player who has made the inexplicable seem routine.

He was suspended for the final 73 games and the playoffs last season after charging into the stands and fighting with Detroit Pistons fans in one of the nastiest sports brawls in U.S. history.

During his career in Indiana, Artest also was disciplined for kicking a ball into the stands, throwing a television camera and twice jawed with Miami Heat coach Pat Riley during games.

His latest indiscretion, demanding a trade in an interview with an Indianapolis newspaper,



PHOTO BY CHARLIE NYE/THE INDIANAPOLIS STAR/KRT NEWS

Indiana Pacers’ Ron Artest drives away from Conseco Fieldhouse after meeting with Pacers management about his status with the team and trade negotiations in Indianapolis, Indiana, Wednesday, January 25, 2006.

was too much for the Pacers to handle.

Since coming to Indiana in February 2002, a trade-deadline deal with the Chicago Bulls, Artest has been one of the Pacers’ top players when he has stayed on the court.

He earned an All-Star berth and recognition as the NBA’s defensive player of the year in 2003-04. He led the league in steals and averaged 19.4 points per game this season before his trade request and subsequent deactivation.

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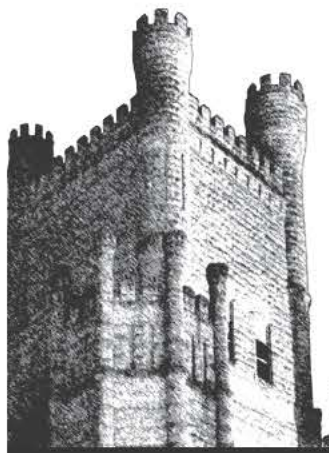
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SWIMMING

Panthers' divers to face tough IUPUI team

By JOE WALSTASI
STAFF REPORTER

Last Saturday at Valparaiso, the men's and women's swimming and diving teams both won, but head coach Ray Padovan felt they looked tired and unfocused.

"I didn't think we swam very well [at Valpo]," said Padovan. "Two or three people came around but the rest of us were kind of sluggish."

"If we don't swim a lot better Thursday we are going to get beat because it's going to be a very close meet, especially with the men."

The Panthers will need to swim to the best of their abilities tonight as they take on the Jaguars of IUPUI in Indianapolis at 5:30 p.m.

Eastern faces a much more talented team than their last two meets against Millikin and Valparaiso. IUPUI head coach Jim Shuck has the Jaguars swimming at a high level lately.

The Jaguars are coming off a win versus Saint Louis and South Dakota State where they set multiple personal and team records.

The IUPUI male divers took the top three spots in the 1-meter and 3-meter competitions, sweeping both events.

Three of their divers met NCAA standards and qualified for the Zones Diving Regional at that meet.

Sophomore James Eckerty won the 1-meter last weekend with a career and team best 313.87. This was the fourth best all-time score at IUPUI.

Fellow sophomore Josh Reidy finished second with a career-best 301.85, and freshman Jaron Tuttle took third with a mark of 300.60.

The trio did equally well in the 3-meter. Reidy and Tuttle both had a career-best and a school-best on the same day.

Tuttle beat the school record first by almost 11 points with a score of 334.20. Reidy then one-upped him with a 337.42 mark. Eckerty had a career-best 305.85 to take third.

"The guys we are going up against went to Zones last year too so they're pretty good," said Eastern sophomore Joe Laird.

For the women, the Jaguars did not win any of the events at their last meet. That is more of an indicator of the skill of their opponents because the women did break some records as well.



ERIC HILTNER/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Head coach Brady Sallee speaks to freshman guard Megan Edwards before practice Wednesday afternoon at Lantz Arena. Edwards has progressed this season from a quiet freshman to a team leader. She has started all 19 games for the Panthers and is averaging 32.2 minutes per game.

POINT TAKEN

Freshman Megan Edwards develops into a Panthers leader

By MARC CORRENTI
STAFF REPORTER

In a women's basketball game earlier this season, Eastern head coach Brady Sallee got in freshman guard Megan Edwards' face and asked her, "Are you gonna play or give up?"

With Edwards' characteristically serious demeanor, she looked at her coach and said nothing,

an answer that definitely spoke volumes to what kind of leader Edwards has become.

"She has a determination that you can't measure," freshman center Rachel Galligan said. "When she didn't say anything, coach knew she was ready to play."

For the most part, Edwards has been ready to play this season, as she is second on the team in scoring at 12.1 points per game.

According to Sallee, she has gone from a "shy, timid freshman to a leader" on a team that lacks in

senior players.

In the training camp prior to the season, Sallee and Edwards admitted to having a hard time communicating with each other. Sallee credits the miscommunication to not understanding what the other person wants out of the other.

"At first, I don't think she understood what I was saying to her," Sallee said. "She didn't know whether to pass, shoot or drive. She wasn't running

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Rebounding linked to success



THE SIXTH MAN

MARC CORRENTI
STAFF REPORTER

Rebounding.

It seems like a simple concept, doesn't it?

One player shoots the basketball. The ball either ricochets off the rim, backboard or sometimes there is no ricochet, just air.

If this is such a simple facet to the game of basketball, why is it so hard to accomplish?

There is no true answer to the aforementioned question, just like there's no answer to why Vince Carter is criticizing Kobe Bryant for being selfish and setting a bad example for kids. Didn't this guy tank games in Toronto so he could be traded?

Anyway, I digress.

Some say size is the difference, but a

6-foot-6 Dennis Rodman averaged 13.1 rebounds per game in the land of giants while the 7-foot-6 walking telephone pole named Manute Bol averaged 4.2 per game.

Although in many cases it may not be true, but size doesn't matter when it comes to rebounding.

Rebounding is more about positioning and technique than who's the tallest and biggest.

High school-level players or even

players at a younger age are taught to put their body in front of a defender with their feet spread apart and their arms ready to retrieve.

If it sounds as simple as that, it's not. Just ask Eastern women's basketball coach Brady Sallee, who's stomped, cursed and done just about everything else there is to do to get his team to rebound.

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